## INCREASED COMMUNITY SERVICES

Maryland's Increased Community Services program allows eligible individuals in nursing facilities to return to the community and receive specific waiver services and certain Medicaid services to support them in their homes and communities.

### **Coverage and Benefits**

- Supports Planning
- Personal Assistance Services
- Medical Day Care
- Assistive Technology
- Consumer Training
- Dietician Nutrition Services
- Environmental Accessibility Adaptation
- Environmental Assessment
- Family Training
- Home Delivered Meals
- Nurse Monitoring
- Transition Services
- Assisted Living
- Senior Center Plus
- Personal Emergency Response System (PERS)

# Program participants are also eligible to receive Medicaid services which include:

- Physician and Hospital Care
- Pharmacy
- Home Health
- Laboratory Services
- Disposable Medical Supplies and Durable Medical Equipment
- Payment of Medicare premiums, co-payments, and deductibles

#### WHO SHOULD APPLY

The Increased Community Services program is for individuals who reside in nursing facilities who would like to live in their homes and communities; however, their income is too high for participation in Medicaid home and community-based waiver programs.

#### **ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES**

Medicaid home and community-based services can be provided to individuals who meet the following criteria:

- An individual currently residing in a nursing facility for at least three (3) months, 30 days of which are eligible to be covered by Medicaid.
- An individual participating in the Increased Community Services program shall contribute income in excess of 300% of SSI to the cost of care in the community and must meet the Program's asset limits (\$2,000).
- An individual's care, while receiving services in the community, may not cost the Medicaid Program more than the individual's care in the nursing facility.
- An individual must be 18 years of age or older.
- An individual must meet nursing facility level of care.
- An individual must not be eligible for an existing Medicaid 1915(c) waiver.

#### PERSONS INTERESTED SHOULD:

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